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SUBJECT: NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY

1. TREATY ON NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (NPT)
COMPLETES FIFTH YEAR IN FORCE MARCH 5. PURSUANT TO NPT
ARTICLE VIII (3), CONFERENCE TO REVIEW TREATY'S OPERATION
WILL CONVENE AT GENEVA MAY 5 "WITH VIEW TO ASSURING THAT
PURPOSES OF PREAMBLE AND PROVISIONS OF TREATY ARE BEING

REALIZED."

2. US, AS TREATY DEPOSITARY ALONG WITH UK AND USSR, PLAYED PROMINENT PART IN NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE, WHOSE THIRD AND FINAL SESSION CONCLUDED FEB 14 WITH AGREEMENT ON CONFERENCE ARRANGEMENTS GENERALLY SATISFACTORY TO US. US HAS STRONG INTEREST IN SUCCESS OF REVIEW CONFERENCE, ARISING FROM OUR DESIRE TO MAINTAIN VIABILITY OF NPT AS SIGNIFICANT COMPONENT OF OUR BROAD EFFORT TO PREVENT FURTHER NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION. WE THEREFORE BELIEVE WE SHOULD CONTINUE EFFORTS TO PROMOTE FURTHER ADHERENCES TO TREATY. ADDITIONAL ADHERENCES IN NEAR FUTURE WOULD BE ESPECIALLY DESIRABLE, SINCE THEY WOULD DEMONSTRATE SUPPORT FOR TREATY AT TIME OF ITS REVIEW. (RATIFICATION OF OR ACCESSION TO TREATY BEFORE MAY 5 WOULD, OF COURSE, PERMIT PARTICIPATION IN REVIEW CONFERENCE AS NPT PARTY).

3. ALTHOUGH NPT ADHERENCE HAS BEEN RAISED PREVIOUSLY BY ACTION ADDRESSEES, WE BELIEVE FURTHER APPROACH TO HOST GOVERNMENTS IS WARRANTED. WE RECOGNIZE IT MAY BE TOO LATE FOR SOME OF THOSE GOVERNMENTS TO ADHERE TO TREATY BEFORE THE REVIEW CONFERENCE. NEVERTHELESS, WE WISH TO URGE THEM TO CONSIDER ADHERENCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT (1) INCREASING INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS OF IMPORTANCE OF MOVING COLLECTIVELY AGAINST PROLIFERATION AND (2) REVIEW CONFERENCE WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DEMONSTRATE THAT NPT IS KEY ELEMENT IN COLLECTIVE NON-PROLIFERATION EFFORT. THEREFORE, UNLESS OBJECTION PERCEIVED, ACTION ADDRESSEES ARE REQUESTED TO APPROACH HOST GOVERNMENT AND ENCOURAGE EARLIEST POSSIBLE NPT RATIFICATION OR ACCESSION, DRAWING ON ABOVE POINTS AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS TO SPECIFIC POSTS WHICH FOLLOW.

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4. ADDRESSEES SHOULD NOT RAISE QUESTION OF ATTENDANCE AT REVIEW CONFERENCE BY NON-PARTIES TO NPT, SINCE DESIRE TO BE FULL CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT AS PARTY MAY YET PRODUCE ADDITIONAL ADHERENCES TO TREATY. HOWEVER, IF HOST GOVT OFFICIALS RAISE QUESTION, ADDRESSEES MAY POINT OUT THAT REVIEW CONFERENCE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE HAS DECIDED THAT SIGNATORIES NOT YET PARTY T
TREATY MAY PARTICIPATE IN
CONFERENCE WITHOUT RIGHT TO VOTE OR TAKE PART IN DECISIONS BY CONSENSUS. PREPCOM ALSO DECIDED THAT OTHER STATES ELIGIBLE TO JOIN NPT MAY ATTEND CONFERENCE AS OBSERVERS, WITH ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR STATUS AS "STATES" TO BE DECIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRACTICE. THUS, IF ANY NON-SIGNATORY GOVT IS INTERESTED IN CONFER-

ENCE BUT CANNOT ADHERE TO TREATY BEFORE MAY 5, IT HAS
POSSIBILITY OF BEING PRESENT AND FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS,
WHILE SIGNATORIES MAY PARTICIPATE IN PROCEEDINGS ON
LIMITED BASIS.

5. FOR LISBON: WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S VIEWS AS TO
PROSPECTS FOR PORTUGAL'S SIGNATURE AND RATIFICATION OF NPT
IN LIGHT OF INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION, AS WELL AS LIKE-
LIHOOD THAT PORTUGUESE ADHERENCE MIGHT STIMULATE CORRES-
PONDING STEPS BY GUINEA-BISSAU AND, FOLLOWING INDEPENDENCE,
MOZAMBIQUE AND ANGOLA.

6. FOR USUN: SUGGEST YOU APPROACH GUINEAJABISSAU MISSION
TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER IT WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO NPT ADHER-
ENCE.

7. FOR WELLINGTON: WE UNDERSTAND UK MAY HAVE MADE
APPROACH ON NPT TO GOVT OF WESTERN SAMOA. SUGGEST YOU
CERIFY WITH UK EMBASSY, SEEKING TO ASCERTAIN WHAT RESULTS

ACHIEVED AND HOW WE MIGHT HELP ENCOURAGE GOWS TO BECOME
TREATY PARTY. IF DISCUSSION WITH BRITISH INDICATES ACTION
WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, YOU SHOULD MAKE DIRECT APPROACH TO
GOWS.

8. FOR SINGAPORE: SUGGEST YOU ALSO CONSULT WITH BRITISH
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COLLEAGUES IN ORDER TO EVALUATE BASIS FOR RECENT UK ESTI-
MATE THAT SINGAPORE MAY GIVE PROMISE OF EARLY RATIFICATION.

9. FOR DAR ES SALAAM, KIGALI, LUSAKA AND BLANTYRE: ADVISE
WHETHER YOU PERCEIVE ANY LIKELIHOOD OF CHANGE IN EXTANT
JOINT REGIONAL STAND AGAINST NPT BECAUSE OF REPUBLIC OF
SOUTH AFRICA'S NON-PARTICIPATION.

10. ACTION ADDRESSEES REQUESTED TO REPORT RESULTS OF IN-
TERVENTIONS AND ESTIMATE LIKELIHOOD OF HOST GOVT ACTION ON
NPT. KISSINGER

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